

# SOIL AND WATER CONSERVATION DISTRICTS

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## Murray SWCD

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Roger Steinman  
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### **Staff**

Howard Konkol District  
Manager

Shelly Lewis  
District Secretary

Craig Christensen  
District Technician

### **Members Present:**

Paul Posthuma-Chairman  
Arland Moger-Secretary  
Roger Steinman-P.R.&I.

### **Members Absent:**

Gary Brinks-Vice Chairman  
Shannon Cohrs-Treasurer

### **Others Present:**

Howard Konkol-District Manager  
Shelly Lewis-District Secretary  
Craig Christensen-District Technician  
Brian Christiansen-District Conservationist  
John Giese- County Commissioner

The Meeting was called to order at 1:35 p.m.

A motion was made by Moger seconded by Steinman to approve the September 9, 2010 minutes.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

The monthly Statement of Treasurer was read and filed for audit.

A motion was made by Steinman seconded by Moger to approve Supervisor's vouchers, Murray SWCD salaries, and SWPTSA salaries for September, 2010.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

**County Commissioner Report:** John reported on the Avoca road project. The Central Dispatch Center is progressing. They do not know cost yet. The AMC conference will be held on December 6-8 in St. Cloud. Murray County signed a contract with Lyon County to Jail Murray County prisoners.

**District Conservationist Report:**

**ENGINEERING:** Two waterways are staked and ready for construction. One terrace system is ready for construction, one compost facility is completed, one feedlot roof is completed, and one grazing system is completed.

**EQIP:** LWG information on the MN NCRS web site. There will be 5 local funding pools. To date there is no scoring period deadline.

**Wildlife Habitat Incentive Program (WHIP):** The 2011 funds are expected for WHIP. There is no announcement on scoring periods or 2011 funds.

**Conservation Stewardship Program (CSP):** The NRCS can start making payments for the first and second sign-up CSP contracts. There is no guidance on what documentation is needed to certify payment. The third sign-up was scheduled to close at the end of the month. The third sign-up ranking period has been extended to January 7, 2011. The state office will provide all marketing and promotional efforts for CSP.

**CRP:** The general sign-up contracts will be written through contribution agreements.

**RC&D:**

**WRP/RIM:** It is anticipated that 2008 easement will be completed by January 1, 2011. Then the 2009 and 2010 easement will be finalized.

**Meeting/Training:** 9/16/10 Area V NRCS Meeting, 9/20-9/24/10 Redwood office appraisal, 9/21-22/2010 Environmental Fair, 9/27/2010 Murray LWG meeting, 9/29/2010 Redwood LWG meeting, 9/30/2010 ABC training & Murray Engineering spot-check, 10/6/2010 DC teleconference, 10/7/2010 Redwood engineering spot-check

**EEO/Civil Rights:** National Disability Month.

The Memorandums of Understanding with other agencies, Sexual Harassment, and Justice for All were reviewed.

**Well Records:** Two well and boring sealing records were reviewed and filed in the District Depository.

**2010 Resolution Ballot:** The Board signed the 2010 Resolution Ballot.

**MASWCD State Convention:** A motion was made by Steinman seconded by Moger to approve Supervisors and Employees attending the MASWCD State Convention in St. Paul on December 5-7, 2010.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

**State Cost-Share:** A motion was made by Moger seconded Posthuma to approve state cost-share amendment for Roger Steinman # 09-12 to extend the contract through June 30, 2011.

Affirmative-Unanimous  
Opposed-None  
Motion carried.

A motion was made by Steinman seconded by Moger to approve the following State Cost-Share application:

FY10	#10-04	Harold Jurrens	\$1,250.00	Waterway
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Affirmative-Unanimous  
Opposed-None  
Motion carried.

**Conserving Use Agreement:** A motion was made by Moger seconded by Posthuma to waive the date of the Conserving Use Agreement which was June 1- September 10 due to weather circumstances out of landowners control.

Affirmative-Moger, Posthuma  
Opposed-None  
Abstained-Steinman  
Motion carried.

**Murray SWCD/WLI:** A motion was made by Moger seconded by Steinman to approve chairman signing the Murray SWCD/WLI Lake Oscar 2011-#4 agreement with DNR.

Affirmative-Unanimous  
Opposed-None  
Motion carried.

**Paper Shredder:** A motion was made by Moger seconded by Steinman to approve purchasing a paper shredder for the office in the amount between \$237.00-\$362.00.

Affirmative-Unanimous  
Opposed-none  
Motion carried.

**Murray SWCD Newsletter:** A motion was made by Steinman seconded by Moger to approve printing the Murray SWCD newsletter in color at the amount of \$716.72.

Affirmative-Unanimous  
Opposed-None  
Motion carried.

**November Board Meeting:** The November Board meeting falls on Veterans Day. A motion was made by Moger seconded by Steinman to change the Board meeting to November 10, 2010.

Affirmative-Unanimous  
Opposed-None  
Motion carried.

**FYI:** Howard informed the Board of the resignation of West Fork Des Moines River Coordinator.

**SWMASWCD Meeting:** A motion was made by Steinman seconded by Moger to approve attendance at the SWMASWCD Meeting on November 18, 2010 in Marshall.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

**Bills:** A motion was made by Steinman seconded by Moger to pay 6 Murray SWCD bills in the amount of \$589.96 for September and 5 in the amount of \$1,508.82 from August and 6 SWPTSA bills in the amount of \$18,144.73 for September and 1 in the amount of \$100.80 for August.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

**Next Meeting:** The next meeting of the Murray SWCD will be held on November 10, 2010 at 1:30 p.m. in the Conference Room of the USDA Service Center, Slayton, Minnesota.

A motion was made by Steinman seconded by Moger to adjourn the meeting at 2:45 p.m.

Affirmative-Unanimous

Opposed-None

Motion carried.

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Approve by Arland Moger, Secretary of District Supervisors

Date